# **Baptism in the Spirit and Gifts**

# A brief history of Pentecostal/Charismatic Theology

# Pentecost, the Baptism in the Spirit and Tongues

### I. The Church Receives the Promise of the Spirit (1-4)

- A. The Day of Pentecost (1)
- B. The Wind and Fire Theophany (2-3)
- C. Filled with the Spirit and Speaking Different Languages (4)

### **II.** Tongues: Covenant Blessing and Curse (5-13)

- A. Two promise themes woven together (5)
- B. Astonishment at the polyglot hicks (6-7)
- C. Luke's Table of Nations (8-11)
- D. The content of the speeches (11b)
- E. The responses to the gift of languages (12-13)

### Conclusion

- Pentecost is a unique redemptive historical event
- The purpose of the tongues

### **Post-Conversion Baptism in the Spirit?**

- I. Supposed post-conversion examples in Acts Acts 2:1-4; 8:5-7, 14-17; 10:44-45; 19:1-6
- II. The pattern of Acts (1:8)
- III. The gift of the Spirit is a demonstration that first, Messiah's kingdom has come; second, the promise to Abraham has been fulfilled, the Gentiles are included in the body of Christ.
- IV. The pattern of these other "Pentecosts" are not all post-conversion, but more importantly they follow the pattern of Acts 1:8 and are a demonstration of Eph. 2:19 and covenant blessing.
- V. The necessity of the Apostolic ministry is to show that the Samaritans and the Gentiles are equals in the family of God.

### Gifts of the Spirit

I. There is a distinction between the gift of the Spirit and the gifts of the Spirit.

- II. Definition and purpose of spiritual gifts
  - A. Definition any ability that is empowered by the Holy Spirit and used in any ministry of the church (Grudem, 1016).
  - B. Purpose Spiritual gifts are given to equip the church to carry out its ministry until Christ returns (Grudem, 1018).

Rom 12:6-8	1 Cor 12:8-10	1 Cor 12:28-30	Eph 4:11	1 Pet. 4:11
		Apostles	Apostles	Speaking
Prophecy	Prophecy	Prophets	Prophets	
Teaching	Utterance of	Teachers	Teachers*	
	wisdom			
Exhorting	Utterance		Pastors	
	knowledge			
			Evangelists	
Leading		Administrating		
	Working miracles	Working miracles		
	Gifts of healing	Gifts of healing		
Service		Helping		Serving
Acts of mercy				
Contributing \$				
	Faith			
	Distinguishing			
	spirits			
	tongues	tongues		
	Interpretation of	Interpretation of		
	tongues	tongues		

C. A list of the gifts (Poythress)

C. How do we know which we have?

Really good resources: Sinclair Ferguson, *The Holy Spirit*; John Stott, *Baptism and Fullness*; Vern Poythress, *What Are Spiritual Gifts?* Grudem's *Systematic Theology*, Chapters 30, 39, 52-53